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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I am a consumer, just small home user. My preference is for a smaller local provider. Please do not force a higher price and PLEASE encourage competition in the field Monopolies are antithetical to a happy well-run economy. Remember when the BELL SYSTEM monopoly was broken up. That was good work, in the interest of the polity. Keep up the good work.

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